

REPORT OF SALMON OPERATIONS, BY CANNERIES

Department of Commerce and Labor

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GEO. B. CORTELYOU,
Secretary.

REPORT OF OPERATIONS, ETC., SEASON OF 1906

Name of cannery, saltery, cod, halibut, or herring fishery *Jensen PKg Co*
 Location of plant *Jensen, Alaska*
 Corporation, firm, or individual operating same *Corporation*
 Location of business headquarters *Jensen*
 Capital in business or capital stock of company, \$ *Capital stock 100.000*
 Valuation of plant, \$ *Thirty Thousand*
 Approximate disbursement for wages, \$ *five Thousand*
 Cost of tin plate used, \$ *none*

NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES IN CANNERY OR SALTARY

	Number.
White men,	7
Natives,	
Chinese,	
Japanese,	
Total,	7

NUMBER OF FISHERMEN EMPLOYED

	Number.
White men, 12	12
Natives,	
Japanese,	
Total,	12

VESSELS EMPLOYED

KIND	NUMBER	TONNAGE	VALUE	* CREW
Steamers owned,	none			
Steamers chartered,	one	20	500.00	6
Sailing vessels owned,				
Sailing vessels chartered,				
Launches,	one	17	2000.00	2

* If crew on vessel act as fishermen, please so state.

BOATS AND FISHING APPARATUS EMPLOYED

APPARATUS USED	NUMBER	VALUE	BOATS	NUMBER	VALUE
Purse seines,			Columbia River boats,		
Drag seines,			Seine boats, 3		
Gill nets,	one	300	Skiffs, 4		
Traps,	3	1400	Dories, 2		
			Lighters, 3		
			Scows, .		
			Pile drivers, .		

NUMBER OF SALMON TAKEN

KIND	NUMBER
King salmon,	500
Red salmon,	30,000
Silver salmon,	15,000
Pink or humpback salmon,	40,000
Dog or chum salmon,	10,000
Steelhead,	

DISPOSITION MADE OF THE CATCH AT THE CANNERY

OUTPUT	CANNED SALMON		MARKET VALUE	FROZEN SALMON		MILD CURED	
	NUMBER OF CASES	AVERAGE NUMBER OF FISH TO A CASE		POUNDS	VALUE	POUNDS	VALUE
King salmon,							
Red salmon,							
Silver salmon,							
Pink or humpback salmon,							
Dog or chum salmon,							
Steelhead,							

DISPOSITION MADE OF THE CATCH AT THE CANNERY—CONTINUED

OUTPUT	SALTED SALMON			SALTED BELLIES		
	NUMBER OF BARRELS	NUMBER OF HALF BARRELS	VALUE	NUMBER OF BARRELS	NUMBER OF HALF BARRELS	VALUE
King salmon,						
Red salmon,						
Silver salmon,						
Pink or humpback salmon,	400	none	2400	none		
Dog or chum salmon,						
Steelhead,						

OTHER SPECIES UTILIZED

SPECIES	AMOUNT	VALUE
Cod, pounds,		
Halibut, pounds,		
Herring, barrels,	3,000	6,000
Guano made, tons,		
Oil made, gallons,		

I CERTIFY to the accuracy and completeness of the information here given.

(Dated) Dec 20, 1904 *A. W. Thomas* Manager.

all sold fresh except
400 B. & B. Pinks

C O P Y

JUNEAU PACKING COMPANY
(Incorporated)

Juneau, Alaska, Dec. 20, 1906.

John N. Cobb,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Yours of the 4th ins. at hand. Replying thereto would say that the runs and habits of the herring in South East Alaska as nearly as I have been able to observe them, are as follows: the spawning season commences during May and continues in some localities as late as July 1st, the grounds seem very widely distributed extending from Howkan on the South to Skagway and out through Icy Straits to Cross Sound. Immediately after spawning the fish school in great abundance out in the deep water, especially in Fredrick Sound and lower end or southern end of Stephens passage. During later part of July and first of August they commence to enter the Bays in large numbers at this season. They are filled with a red feed that makes them very difficult to cure; during September and October they loose this feature and during those months are at their prime. Methods used are purse and drag seines. Beside our firm are the Alaska Fish and Development Co., located at Pleasant Bay, Seymour Canal. Also I understand one concern at Wrangell Narrows and Oil and Guano Works at Kilisnoo during the past fall. The herring have been very scarce indeed for two months past. It has been impossible to get enough for bait purposes, and great injury to all the fish business has resulted therefrom, in fact, the bait situation has become so serious that Tozier has been compelled to close down entirely. It is fast becoming apparent to all people engaged in the fisheries that unless proper measures are taken and that at once to prevent this wholesale destruction of herring in the Bays during the summer months, the fisheries of Alaska will be destroyed. Realizing this danger as we do we have put in circulation here a petition to Congress, praying for the enactment of such laws as shall make it unlawful to take any food fish for fertilizing purposes solely. This petition is being universally signed, in fact, during its circulation around for the past three weeks only one man has refused to sign it and he was a Government official afraid probably of his job. This petition will soon be in Washington and we trust and hope you will give it all the aid you can.

Yes, Tozier got to work with a white crew.

Yes, Douglas parties got started all right. There was a short run of kings at Seymour Canal during Sept. but since that trollers have done very poorly. No herring, no sal, no halibut, that the way she goes.

I have noticed no difference in sizes of runs at different season. A feature of all Alaska herring is that they usual run in mixed sizes to be sure this is not always true but I think as a rule it hold good during early part of summer there are numerous bays where all the herring will be small size. We smoke only dog salmon this winter will probably smoke 10 tons.

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The Whale Factory has not yet got in operation and I understand they are making slow progress and will not probably get to work before next summer.

So far this winter not a herring has shown up at Juneau nor in vicinity. This used to be a great winter herring ground but for past two seasons has been almost a failure. Last season they did not put in appearance until late in January then in no great quantities.

Trusting I have give you what information you need

I am yours always at command,

(Signed) A. W. Thomas